THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) to (c) With a view to safeguard the interests of Scheduled Castes/Scheduled Tribes, a 'best endeavour' clause is being incorporated in the agreements signed in case of disinvestments so that the new managements accord due importance to the reservation policy of the Government. The question of reservations in the private sector has been examined and the same would not be in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of India.

Extension of Public Premises Act to Wakf Properties

4181. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the steps taken to get the Public Premises Act extended to Wakf properties; and

(b) the outcome thereof?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) and (b) Extension of the Public Premises Act to wakf Properties is a matter under the jurisdiction of State Governments.

Exemption of Wakf Property from Rent Control Act

4182. SHRI AIMADUDDIN AHMED KHAN (DURRU): Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the names of the States where the Wakf property has been exempted from the Rent Control Act; and

(b) the steps taken to get it exempted in all the States?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) and (b) Information is being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Central Institute of Psychiatry, Ranchi

4183. SHRI RAMACHANDRA KHUNTIA: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the news-item captioned, "Where mental patients get Re. 1 as remuneration", which appeared in the Hindustan Times dated the 6th April, 2002;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to revise the rate of remuneration for the patients in Occupational Therapy Department of the Central Institute of Psychiatry, Ranchi;

(d) if so, by when the rates are likely to be revised; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) to (e) Mental patients require not only pharmacological treatment but also non-pharmacological treatment in the form of various psychotherapies. Token economy is also a form of therapy where patients get reward which reinforces the desired behaviour in such patients. This is important for the rehabilitation of mental patients who have been ill for long time and need to be taught skills that would be required for their rehabilitation in the society. In Central Institute of Psychiatry, Ranchi patients are trained in various occupational skills in the occupational therapy (OT) department. This training is a part of the therapy of such patients. The amount of Re. 1/- is given to the patients as a reward to reinforce their interest in continuing with the training imparted to them in the O.T. department. This amount is not the stipend given in exchange of any work taken from them but is a part of the treatment.

Inclusion of Bengali Nav-Shudras in SC Category

†4184. SHRI MANOHAR KANT DHYANI: Will the Minister of SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT be pleased to refer to answer to Unstarred Question 1979 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 3rd December, 2001 and state:

(a) whether Government of Uttaranchal has furnished the requisite details in reply to the letter of his Ministry dated the 14th September, 2001; and

(b) if so, the details of action taken by Government and by when the Bengali Nav-Shudras are likely to be included in the list of SC?

THE MINISTER OF SOCIAL JUSTICE AND EMPOWERMENT (DR. SATYA NARAYAN JATIYA): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise.

IWDP in Sabarkantha and Dahod

4185. SHRI BACHANI LEKHRAJ: Will the Minister of TRIBAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Integrated Watershed Development Project for Rural Poverty

†Original notice of the question was received in Hindi